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## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

### **MIXED SEMANTIC STORAGE I/O**

A mechanism for initiating and completing one or more I/O transactions using channel and memory semantic messages is disclosed. Channel semantic messages are messages that are simply packetized and transmitted. Memory semantic messages are transmitted by means of a remote direct memory access (RDMA) operation; they are more akin to a memory copy than the simple transmission of a message.